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Dr. Bruce W. Wachholz  
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Washington, D.C. 20545

Dear Dr. Wachholz:

I am enclosing for your information a copy of an August 8, 1979, letter and copies of several enclosures from High Commissioner Adrian P. Winkel on the proposed Likiep Survey. Copies also have been sent to Dr. Walter Weyzen, DOE, and Dr. Hugh Pratt of Brookhaven National Laboratory.

The letter and enclosures are self-explanatory. Unfortunately, there does not seem to be as much medical background information available on the people of the Marshalls as we had hoped. You will note that a copy of a report on the 1948 Whidbey Medical Survey is included. This appears to be a summary report and does not contain detailed breakdowns on the Marshallese examined at that time. Reference is made to records held in the 1950's by the Medical Statistics Division, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Department of the Navy and these might still be available.

Sincerely yours,

RUTH G. VAN CLEVE

Mrs. Ruth G. Van Cleve  
Director  
Office of Territorial Affairs

Enclosures

cc: Dr. Walter Weyzen, DOE

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